

SLEET, RAIN, ADD UP TO HEAVY DAMAGE TO TREES AND SHRUBBERY LIGHT AND TELEPHONE WIRES

The weather of the week end sleet which came during the cooled off considerably, with Sunday morning opening nice and clear and warm. But by ten o'clock the clouds and wind had brought the mercury down 10 degrees in 15 minutes and by afternoon the temperature was hovering around the freezing mark.

Monday brought a slight sleet with moderate temperatures in the day light hours, but with freezing, down to the high 20's during the nights.

The long range forecast is that the cool weather may continue.

C. A. Maples Issues Formal Statement

In making my announcement for the office of County Treasurer, will state; I have lived in Wise County for the past twenty-three years and was employed by the Decatur Independent School Board as tax collector from January 1, 1945 until November 1, 1949, in connection with driving a school bus which I now do.

Since the school tax collectors office is in the same office as the County Treasurer I am familiar with the duties of the Treasurer.

Due to a handicap, it will be impossible to see all of the voters in the County, but will see as many as possible.

Your Vote And Influence Will Be Greatly Appreciated.

C. A. MAPLES

The mercury was just below freezing most of the day.

Truck traffic continued and kept the highways clear.

Tuesday afternoon the two inches of sleet became six inches of slush as the thaw came, and streets became quagmires. The quick thaw had streets and gutters clogged with water and chunks of sleet.

Tuesday night the freeze came again, and Wednesday morning the sleet was again frozen over to add to driving hazards.

Power and telephone lines sagged, trees bowed under the weight of the heavy coating of ice. But no more fell during night and Wednesday brought the thaw which quickly changed the picture into one of melting ice and lots of water.

The rain Tuesday morning early added to the melting sleet gave us a good ground soaking which was much needed.

Roads were bad and cars and trucks used chains to get around as the crust of sleet had a mud base and was quickly mashed down to take deep slick ruts.

Warmer weather has been promised for the week end, but the mercury continues to hover around the freezing mark.

See ICE on page 4, Col. 3

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DECATUR, TEXAS—Thursday, February 2, 1950

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POLL TAXES TOTAL MORE THAN 4,000

Wednesday more than 4,000 poll tax receipts had been issued.

Many who found themselves unable to appear in person mailed in their checks, and the tax collectors office was swamped with last minute mail.

So it seems that the voting strength will not be too far under normal by the time all the mail is sorted and credits given.

We'll give you the final total next week.

Many taxpayers who planned to pay the last day found themselves unable to do so because of the weather, and the sale of poll taxes lagged again. The usual last minute rush didn't materialize as the sleet and rain kept many away from the tax assessors office, many who had planned to be there Tuesday.

Total poll taxes issued were over 4,000, and that will be the number of voters in Wise County in 1950. A slight drop from the possible 5,000 or more who could have qualified.

L. C. (Fluff) Bird Enters Sheriff's Race In Wise County

L C (Fluff) Bird of Bridgeport this week authorizes the Messenger to announce his candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Wise county, subject to the democratic primaries.

His formal statement will appear later.

WE ARE SORRY NEWS OMITTED LAST WEEK

We regret the necessity of curtailing the number of pages in the Messenger last week, which necessitated the leaving out of several news articles. We were out of the office several day last week and it was impossible to issue the twelve pages as had been planned.

WE WERE ON ISOLATED LIST WEDNESDAY

Decatur was isolated Wednesday when phone telegraph lines to outside connections went out under the coating of ice. The damage around here isn't as bad as farther east, as in the Benham area many light and phone poles are down and the city was blacked out most of Tuesday night.

In times such as this, emergency calls can be made by short wave radio such as the Highway Patrolmen have on their scout car. That is about the only way except through a few local "ham" radio operators.

SUBSCRIBERS SHOULD RENEW IF TIME IS OUT

Next week we are again working our mailing lists, and this time those whose subscriptions has been out more than 30 days will be dropped from the list.

We had published several notices calling attention to the renewal time, and those who have not renewed will not receive a paper next week as we suppose you no longer care to receive the Messenger or you would have paid up in the past month.

In making all the changes in marking up dates we will no doubt make several errors. Subscribers are asked to call our attention to incorrect dates or if we fail to send your paper and your time isn't out, advise us. We will be glad to correct our errors, which probably will be several in listing some 1600 names on our lists.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Mrs. C. A. Maples underwent an operation in the Rogers hospital Tuesday.



NOVICE CHAMPIONS—Left to right are the Fort Worth Golden Gloves regional tournament novice champions: Hugh Hamm, Decatur welter; Walter Baxter, Fort Worth flyweight; Billy Pierce, Fort Worth feather; Lavon Means, Decatur middleweight; Ray

Hill, Fort Worth heavyweight; James Miller, Arlington State light-heavy; Raymond Boyd, Weatherford lightweight; Horace Hooper, Fort Worth bantamweight.

BOXING TOURNEY OPENS HERE TOMORROW FOR TWO DAY RUN

The DBC boxing tournament will be held this week end, Friday and Saturday nights, and ringside and general admission tickets are on sale for the events.

With several teams from adjoining towns signed up, the matches here should be good. Some of the best boxers of this area will be here, and will include some of the winners of events in the recent Ft. Worth golden gloves preliminaries.

Ringside tickets are \$1.25 each evening, and general admission is 75c.

The Rev. Jos. Fort Newton, one of the nations outstanding preachers, died suddenly Jan. 24, at his home in Philadelphia, at the age of 73.

Dr. Newton was born in Decatur and attended Hardy Institute here in the 1880's. At the

Frank Jordan Gets First Auto License Plate Wednesday

Frank Jordan was the first to secure an auto license Wednesday morning, his being number CS-10.

T B Lumaden received the first pick-up license.

J H Fletcher of Shidell received the first truck tractor and trailer licenses.

This year it is necessary that all the forms be typed which time in making out the receipts, time in making out the receipts. Be sure to bring your papers last receipt and title, when applying for the new 1950 licenses.

time of his death he was Rector of St. James Church in his home city.

Natural Gas Plant Is Now In Operation

BARTELSVILLE, Okla., Jan. 26 (Spl).—Cities Service Oil Company's Chico natural gas plant in Wise County, 3 miles west of Chico, has been placed on stream and is in operation.

Wise County's only natural gasoline plant was built in six months and, at present, is processing approximately 12,000,000 cubic feet of gas daily. The plant has been so designed that the capacity can be expanded to 22,500,000 cubic feet.

The plant has both high pressure and low pressure gathering facilities. Liquefied petroleum products and residue gas are going to local markets.

Mrs. Guinn Williams of San Angelo is visiting friends here.

Lions Hear C. P. Dodson Discuss Recent Trip

C P Dodson last Wednesday gave Lions club members a short report of his recent trip through the Caribbean area with the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce good will touring group. His talk was given as a fill in for the district governor, who had reserved the program, but at the last minute notified the club he would not be present.

Mr. Dodson's talk, the highlight of the trip, was very interesting and was enjoyed very much.

Rev. Fred Carlock of Fort Worth will preach at the First Christian Church Sunday Feb. 5 at 11 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

A Tribute to Col. Geo. T. Spears

An Editorial

In everyone's lifetime there is someone who influences your life, your outlook, your future. In this instance, there was such a person in our life, one who through years of association became father, associate and confident, whose vast experience was given us as the foundation of life and business. For twenty-five years we had known Col. Geo. T. Spears of Graham, prominent newspaperman and one of the first members of the Texas Press Association. He had no peer. His courage, his courteous manner, his love of life and family, endeared him to all with whom he came in contact. He was counselor to us. When we first took up the pen and the ambition of newspapering, it was because of the success and love he had for the profession. He helped us, he stayed with us, he believed in us—we made the grade—because of his help and guidance. If we ever become successful, it will be due to the influence he so generously and wisely gave in helping us along the road, making our way easier by steering us by the pitfalls he encountered in over fifty years as a newspaper publisher.

We remember especially two suggestions given us early in life. First, "Never say anything but good of anyone. If you cannot say something good of any person, don't say anything." Second, "Don't stoop to do 'little, mean things.' You hurt no one but yourself." These thoughtful words have remained with us through the years, and we recommend them to you as he did to us.

We could fill the pages of this paper with unrecorded activities of Col. Spears, of the many people he aided, of the many thoughtful remembrances to friends, of those he aided in business, those whom he assisted in obtaining an education. He lived as an example, one which we will try to follow. He gave us so much, we were able to give him so little.

We couldn't print this paper without mentioning the love and esteem we had for our father-in-law. He was a good man. He lived a full life. He was not afraid of death, he had lived the way that leads to Heaven.

When we leave this earth, our fondest desire is that as much can be said for us, and that we may lead someone in our footsteps with the same understanding and confidence which he placed in us. The right way is always the best, not always the easiest, but that was his way. Now it is ours. At least we will try.—Phil E. Luker.



MEANS WINS—Here is Lavon Means winning his match in the recent Ft. Worth golden gloves eliminations, and he went on to win the finals. Many good fighters from this area will appear on the DBC boxing card this week end, Feb. 4-5 at the college gym, when the first tournament here gets under way.

The pictures of Adolph Torres lost in the finals but res and Hugh Ham were made during the elimination golden gloves fights in Fort Worth. Hamm won all his fights. Pictures are on page 1.



ACCIDENT INSURANCE—E. L. Walker of Decatur clips on a pair of safety ice cleats which he invented and now manufactures in his workshop at his home. The cleats, which fit easily over shoe heels, prevent slipping and falling on icy ground.

WANT TO KEEP YOUR FEET UNDER YOU IN ICY WEATHER, E. L. WALKER HAS WHAT YOU NEED

A couple of weeks ago during our first ice storm, Lester Rasbury ran an advertisement in the Messenger offering for sale safety ice cleats, which fit over shoes heels, and dig into the ice, giving solid non-slip footing.

In looking into the article further, we found the manufacturer to be E L Walker, who manufactures the cleats in his workshop at his home here, and now markets them all over the United States.

A fellow employee fell on an icy pavement—which resulted in a broken arm—gave E. L. Walker of Decatur an idea for a device that would prevent such falls.

Walker fashioned a steel safety ice cleat that fits easily over the heel of a shoe and prevents slipping. He patented the cleats and now manufactures them for distribution in Fort Worth, the Panhandle and northern states. Walker's shop

Walker makes the cleats in five sizes for men, women and children. To use the cleats, women must wear low-heel shoes.

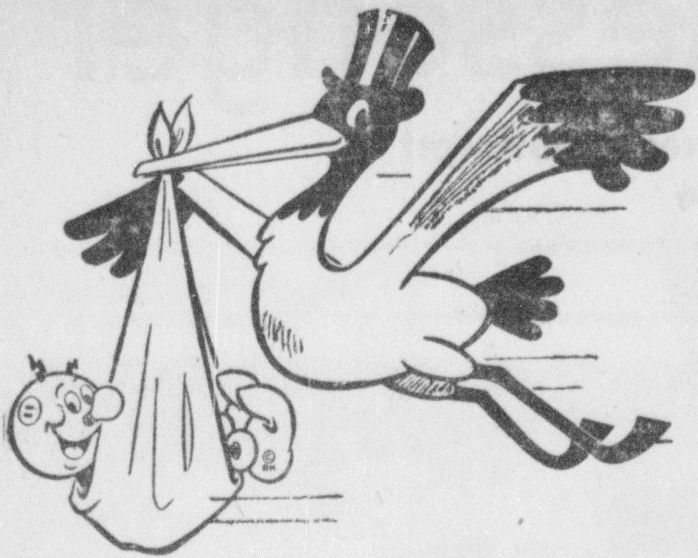
Walker plans to take a two-week vacation from his job in the production control department at Convair and make a selling trip to New York.

Walker's cleats have found favor already among newspapermen delivery boys and postmen.

"I'm sure there would have been fewer people injured during ice storms if more of them had been wearing safety ice cleats," Walker said.

Walker emphasized that the cleats can be slipped easily on shoe heels without the wearer even having to sit down to put them on, or take them off.

The T H Barnards have been fishing down Port Aransas way and report good luck.



Speaking of blessed events... Reddy Kilowatt, a new addition to the TP&L family, is expected soon... watch for him in this paper!

New Location Made Just Southwest of Cottdale

DECATUR, Texas, Jan. 28.—Akin & Dimock, Wichita Falls operators, have made location for No. 1 Willie M. Kinsey, a 6000 foot rotary test 330 feet each way out of the northeast corner of block J. M. Mora survey, A-541. Proposed test is a rank wildcat about three and

one-half miles southwest of Cottdale.

The Champlin Refining Company No. 1 Stanfield, an important wildcat about eight miles southwest of Bridgeport, after testing Ellenburger lime at total depth of 7216 feet with no results, has plugged back to 4507 feet and perforated with 300 shots at 4450-4505 feet and is swabbing drilling mud with no shows of oil or gas.

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 3. I will take an active part in making Decatur a better place to live, for myself, and a better business town for the people of the county.
 4. I will keep informed on local, state, and national affairs.
 5. I will vote in state, local, and national elections.
 6. I will attend Sunday School and church.
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Where We Came In
Lesson for February 5, 1950

A CIRCULAR LETTER came in the other day from a stranger, who is hot and bothered because he has discovered that Jews and Negroes can belong to Christian churches along with white Americans. The astonishing thing is not that that should be true, but that any man should get excited over it. What astonished the Apostle Paul was not that Jews were in the Christian church but that anybody else could be! We must recall that Jesus was a Jew; that all the apostles were Jews; that the first Christian church at Jerusalem was composed exclusively of Jews.



Dr. Foreman

New Type
THE CHURCH AT ANTIOCH, one of the great commercial cities of the Roman world, was where we Gentiles came in. The writer is indebted to his former teacher, Dr. Charles Erdman, for noting four ways in which that church in Antioch was something new.

They had no Old Testament, they knew nothing of the Old Testament sacrifices, they had no interest in the Temple or in the history of Israel. Like most Gentiles, they had usually thought of the Jew as a quaint but unimportant minority group. Now that these Gentiles were in the same church with Jews, there would be plenty of room for trouble.

Could a church made up of such different races become a true Brotherhood? So the old mother-church at Jerusalem sent up Brother Barnabas to look around. Barnabas was not the church's most brilliant mind, but he had a heart full of faith.

New Leaders
GOD DOES NOT ALWAYS give the greatest successes to the "big names." Nowadays every one who knows his Bible knows Paul and Barnabas; but in Antioch both men were unknown at first, and untried.

When God wants a Reformation he calls forth a Luther, an obscure man who never fitted any of the existing priestly molds. When God wanted to open up Africa he called David Livingstone; when he wanted men for the far interior of Asia he called Hudson Taylor. When he wanted light to shine down into the slums he called William Booth.

These were all peculiar men by the standards of their times; but it takes peculiar men to break away from tradition's hearth-fire and break out new roads for the Gospel.

New Center
FOR SOME TIME Jerusalem was the capital of the Christian world. All roads led out from there, so to speak. With the rise of the Antioch church, however, a new center took the place of the old. Jerusalem withered away. In later times Alexandria led, and then other cities.

For a thousand years Rome and Constantinople were the acknowledged centers of the Christian world. Now we have also London—New York—Geneva... Many such centers have small beginnings. In America's early days the churches of Scotland sent over missionary offerings for the help of the struggling little church of New York.

In future years, who knows? Some church in Yunnan may be sending missionaries to the feeble folk left in the war-devastated ex-white world.

New Name
ANTIOCH is no longer a city of any importance. Missionaries go to it, not from it. But old Antioch left us something still cherished, a new name for believers: Christian. That name itself proves something.

It proves that the church in Antioch was something more than an aggregation of "churchmen." It was a family of Christ-men and Christ-women. These believers must have talked and lived something better than mere vague "religion." They talked of Christ, they loved Christ and they lived Christ, till even their busy neighbors took notice.

If your church had no name, and if your neighbors were to name it, and all the neighbors knew about it were you, by what name would they call it?

T. Denson survey. A-239, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Boonesville is fishing for tolls at 6265 feet.

Four miles southwest of Chico, Leland Sikes & Standard-Fryer No. A-1 Corley, in the M. Swift survey, A-739, on a two hour drill stem test at 4125-45 feet 30 feet slight gas cut mud, and 300 feet of salt water.

Northeast of Park Springs about 4 miles. Cities Service Oil Company No. 1 S. Williamson, in block 4, Falls County school lands, a 6500 foot wildcat is drilling at 6490 feet.

Abandoned
Northwest of Springtown Signal O&G & Loffland No. 1 J. Daly Unit 6, in the J. F. Williamson survey, A-1151, tested at 3965-70 feet with light show of gas, drilled ahead to 4064 in shale and abandoned. The same parties' No. 1 Horton Unit 2, in C. A. Frazier survey, A-889, seven miles northwest of Springtown is drilling 3800 feet.

Cities Service No. B-1 Garret, in C. Edgerly survey, A-268, in the Chico field is moving in cable tools to test conglomerate section at 5784-5898 feet.

A. R. Dillard No. 1 J. D. south in section 1, Falls county school lands southeast of Park Springs, a wildcat is abandoned as a dry hole at 6127 feet.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends and relatives for the beautiful floral offerings and your kind expressions of sympathy and also to the ladies who were so nice to furnish food in the passing of our wife, daughter and sister. May Gods richest blessings be with you all.

D. P. Dodge
Mrs. Ida Best
and children

CARD OF THANKS
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The purpose of the meeting is to try to get a better understanding of the soil conservation work in this area, so that the newspapers will be in position to give news and pictures of the new activities of the district.

The Treaty Oak in Austin has been called the most perfect specimen of a tree in North America.

Worried over your future?

"Is there anyone who isn't?" Before you say that... look around you. At certain folks you know in your community. At famous ones you read about as well. The ones who seem to have a kind of strength, an inner confidence, a point of view that makes them seem so sure of where they're going. It can't be just coincidence that these are the men and women who—go to church!

For nothing can take the place of church in your life—in anyone's life.

By turning to religion, by reaffirming their faith, new thousands every day are gathering new strength, new hope, new courage.

Families, finding themselves through faith, are being brought closer... becoming real families, strong against the world, happier, more tolerant among themselves.

Young folk, finding themselves through faith, are learning the true values that make them want to spurn the false.

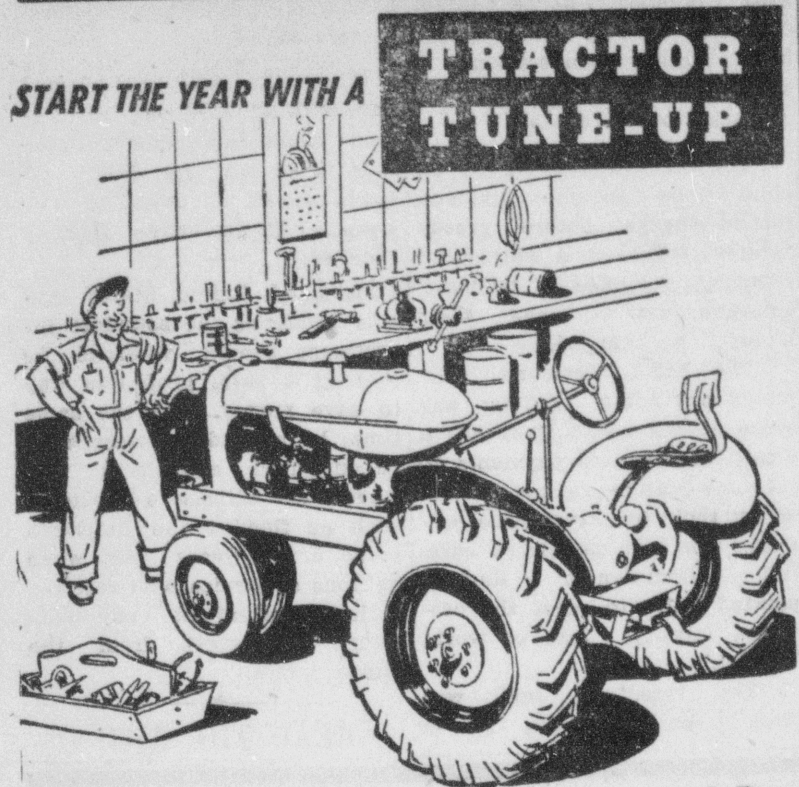
Men and women of the workaday world are gaining a new sense of "the balance of things"... the inner security that brings success to work as well as to life... by finding themselves through faith.

Can you honestly say that things have been better for you, going it alone? Or wouldn't you rather join these neighbors... and find a happier, more successful life—through faith!

Roger W. Straus: "Whenever I feel tired or discouraged it is my custom to turn my thoughts to God, if possible in a synagogue; if not, wherever I may be. Never yet have I done so without being refreshed and encouraged."

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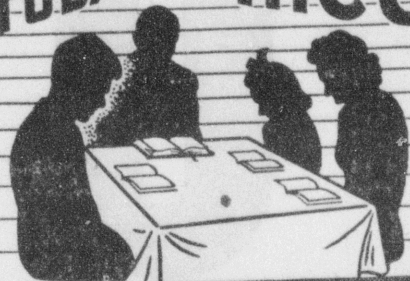
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One morning during World War II, I was forced to spend considerable time in a railway station in a large city. I sat in the midst of a thronging multitude. Although I saw no one whom I knew, never before did people so completely grip my heart. I think I felt somewhat as Jesus felt when seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain. It was because of

Jesus' deep love for mankind that He saw endless opportunities to help them. He looked upon people with divine compassion.

In these days of multitudes and multiplicity of interests, our shame is that we walk along with people, and even attend church, but do not truly see the people. Jesus has a message for them, a message of

freedom from sin, and salvation to a life of joy and usefulness. He has assigned His followers the loving task of seeing the multitudes of today and helping them to find the Christ-like ways of life.

PRAYER

...Dear Master, help me that I may see the people as Thou dost see them. May I share in Thy great work of love that all may come to know life abundant and eternal. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Jesus needs me to help others to come to a knowledge of the depth of God's love.

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MRS. RENSHAW, MRS. MOORE, SPEAK TO MEMBERS OF THE GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club met Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Syl Hardwick with Mrs. C. K. Wilkerson and John Tally co-hostesses. Mrs. F. . Martin, President, presided over the meeting. Following a business session Mrs. T. G. Renshaw directed an interesting discussion on "Choosing House Plants."

Mrs. N. A. Moore discussed "Diseases of Pot Plants" - she brought out especially a disease that is attacking the hedge plants thought by many to be mildew. She brought to our attention the brown scale insect that adhere to the stem and the white hair like eggs that are laid beneath the leaf. The remedy for the disease is one quart of soap suds and one tablespoon of coal oil mixed and sprayed well on the plant.

Miss Frances Coffins placed her name on the membership list of the club. She is well known as a flower grower and the club members were happy to have her as a member. Special attention was called to the beautiful flower arrange-

ment on the mantel designed by Mrs. C. K. Wilkerson. Spring flowers were in evidence throughout the house.

Following adjournment delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses.

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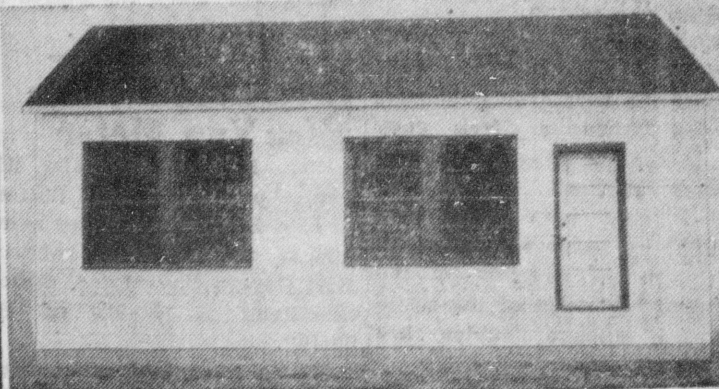
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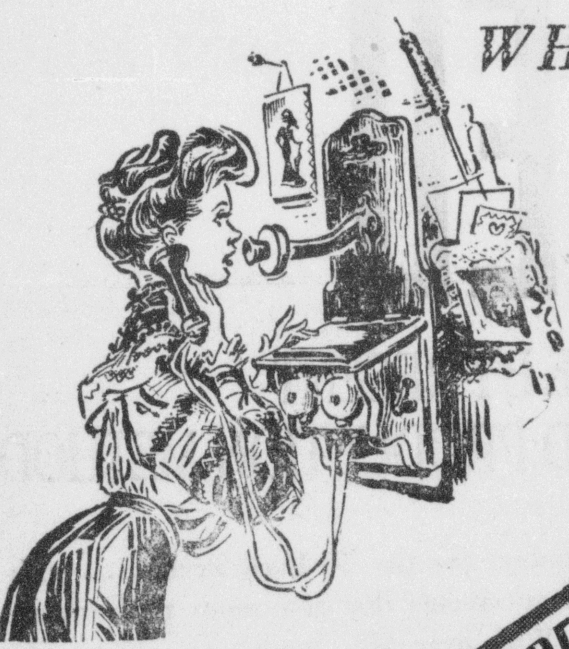
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We are fortunate to announce a new line of Lana Joyce lingerie in slips, panties, gowns and pajamas. We would like for you to come in and see this new line of merchandise and see the wonderful quality and workmanship. Also have a new line of Loomcraft slips for children.

We now carry a line of Casco heating pads, 3-speed units with night light illuminated switch, four price ranges, \$4.95, \$5.95, \$6.95 and \$8.95. Every one fully guaranteed.

We have a line of sweaters for women and children, about two dozen, that we are closing out at a big saving to you, if you can get your fit.

We now have pretty ladies dresses, new Spring patterns, sizes 9 to 52, at \$2.98.

New Cameo Nylons in and new colors, 51 gauge, first quality, \$1.35 pair; 3 pairs for \$3.95.

A few pairs of suede slippers for ladies, odds and ends, \$2.00 per pair.

Another shipment of toboggans for boys and girls, priced 50c and up.

Our print cloths at 39c a yard, are really nice. Come see them! Chambrays at this price too.

Boys' sweat shirts, come and get them...69c each.

We still have about 30 Garza Sheets that we are selling at the sale price of \$1.98. When you buy Garza at this price you have a real bargain.

We now have some more black heel Nylons at \$1.49 per

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Decatur Day At Fat Stock Show Today

Today is Decatur day at the Fat Stock Show, and hundreds of Wise countians will be there. It's Bridgeport day too.

Miss Patricia Taylor will ride as Decatur envoy to the 1950 show.

The high school bands will play a concert and be guests at the afternoon performance.

It isn't too late to attend, but you will have to secure your tickets down there.

ONCE A YEAR

This is it, the one day when more tire chains are sold than in the preceding 11 months and 29 days, that was Wednesday.

New Highway Maps Are Now Available

AUSTIN, TEXAS.—Want to know the best route from Boca Chica to Texline?

Motorists may have the latest official Texas Highway map just for the asking.

D. C. Greer, state highway engineer, states that the 1950 map is the best ever published, anyone desiring a free copy should contact the Texas Highway Department.

The new map has been brought up to date to show all of the recent changes in the principal highways of the state. Complete mileage tables are shown.

Twenty-five full color pictures show points of interest in Texas and along the Pan-American highway in Mexico.

The highway department distributed three hundred thousand copies of the 1949 edition. An even larger demand for the new map is anticipated.

Move to Decatur

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greer and daughter Sue Ann have moved here from Denton to make their home.

Mr. Greer received his B. S. degree at N. T. S. C. last week and has accepted a place as teacher in the public school here.

JUNIOR WOMENS CLUB MEETING

The Jr. Woman's Club met on Dec. 13, 1949 in the home Mrs. John Renshaw. Members were met at the door by Mrs. Renshaw and her daughter. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Hoyt Tally. After a short business meeting everyone joined in the singing of the familiar Christmas carols. Miss Renshaw delighted the club with her rendition of "Winter Wonderland." Then she played "Santa" for the Club Christmas tree. Many oos and ahs were heard as the gifts were opened. A delightful plate was served to each one present by the hostesses, Mrs. Renshaw, Mrs. Jimmy Mercer, and Mrs. Grover Cleveland.

On Jan. 10, 1950, the Jr. Woman's met in the home of Mrs. Ted Schroeder. Mr. Charles Tom Gettys spoke on the common communicable disease. He gave each one present an outline of his talk for future reference. During the business session a report was made on the Christmas box, which was delivered to a needy family in the city. Cake and coffee was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Ted Schroeder, Mrs. Clint Wiley and Mrs. Alf Brown.

Jan. 24, the club met with Mrs. W. O. Dittich. The following officers were elected to serve the club for the coming year: President, Mrs. James Renshaw, 1st Vice Pres. Mrs. Jimmy Mercer, 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. Paul Landes, Secretary, Mrs. L. A. Ellis, Jr., Treasurer, Mrs. Clint Wiley, Parliamentarian, Mrs. Alf Brown, Critic, Mrs. Ted Schroeder, Reporter, Mrs. Milvern L. Cude, a new member was voted in, Mrs. W. A. Hughes. An attractive salad plate was served by Mrs. Dittich, Mrs. J. H. Valcik, and Mrs. H. V. Vick. The next meeting will be on Feb. 14, with Mrs. Burnett Ware.

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The thaw Wednesday didn't do away with much of the frozen sleet. It did help clear the roads. Highway maintainers cleared the highway through town, but other streets were passable only in the ruts or with chains.

The sleet this past few days seems to be worse than that of last year, as far as trees and shrubbery are concerned. Many trees that weathered the weight of past years were damaged this year.

As of Wednesday not so many phone and light wires are down tho' they are heavily coated with ice, measuring ½-inch thick.

Icicles dripped during the afternoon but remained as large as ever this morning. The rain of all day yesterday and Tuesday is expected to measure about 1½ inches, and the sleet was about 2 inches thick on the level.

Thousands of dollars damage was done to shrubbery and trees. Telephone lines were out in many sections and electric power was interrupted occasionally. Cloudy skies continued to keep the ice coat on walks and lawns, the kids had a swell time.

Wednesday night brought another freeze, but little damage was done as the rain and sleet subsided. Lines began falling however, light and phone poles snapped under the added weight of the rains of the day. Lights were out in some sections, phones were disrupted in others.

Lines were practically all down around Denton. A pole fell through a cafe in Rhome Wednesday it aww reported.

This sleet seems to be worse than that of 48-49.

BACK INTO ACTION

The lights were out across the tracks last night.

Out came the candles and lamps, flashlights and other lightmaking apparatus.

Tom Laird came out with a lamp he had had forty-nine years, but on examination found the chimney broken. But he borrowed a chimney for the coal-oil lamp. Where? from the FW&D station. Then a quart of coal-oil filled the bill, and light was had.

Mrs. J. A. Christian, also had plenty of lamps, but no coal-oil, a requirement which we promptly filled for her. We did not find out how old her lamps were however, but we bet she has one over forty-nine.

Services Held Monday For Drew Campbell

Drew Campbell, former Bridgeport resident and for several years an employee of a Midland Bank, died suddenly in Midland Saturday at 2 p. m. following a heart attack earlier while at his duties in the bank.

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church in Bridgeport Monday afternoon, conducted by the pastor and assisted by the Midland pastor. Interment was at Bridgeport.

A former banker at Bridgeport, he was widely known over this area.

Survivors include his widow and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Campbell of Bridgeport.

Many out of town friends attended the funeral service including several from Decatur.

FFA Boys Elect Sweethearts

The Decatur Chapter elected two girls for F. F. A. sweethearts. They were Marion Hill, a sophomore, and Peggy Sue Rosenburg, a senior.

The sweethearts were guests of the Decatur F. F. A. Chapter Saturday, when we went to the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show. Some of the boys had evening rodeo tickets and some had tickets for the night performance. The boys and girls enjoyed the trip very much. It was the best livestock show they had seen at Fort Worth.

Veterans Take Care of Your Refund Payment

"A new wave of greed and selfishness has been unleashed against America's former fight-

ing men" declared Carl Ramsey, Commander of V. F. W. Post No. 6521, as he charged that unscrupulous businessmen have already undertaken a shrewd campaign to lure NSLI refunds from veterans.

"The ink was scarcely dry on applications for the dividend refund checks before greedy shysters unloosed a widespread campaign intended to 'educate' veterans how to spend their money," he charged.

"The NSLI dividend payments are not a gift, in any sense of the word. They are a return of premium payments to veterans who were over-charged on their insurance. The premium rate was calculated carefully. Commander Ramsey pointed out, "to meet the predicted fatality rate of world War II."

"The rate," he said was high; even so, it was not as

high as had been feared. As a result, the over-payment in premiums are now being returned to veterans.

"Only the most cold-hearted unscrupulous sort of business man would dare offer suggestions as to how the NSLI refunds should be spent by Veterans. Commander Ramsey charged.

He cited United States savings Bonds as the soundest investment should veterans be seeking a safe, profitable way to save money. At the same time, he reminded Veterans to be on guard against a new wave of "attractive offers" such as flooded the American scene a few years ago when millions of service men received their mustering-out pay upon being discharged from the armed forces.

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Fred Patterson from Texas U. is spending a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Patterson.

Mrs. J. H. Lynch and Mrs. Paul Smith have returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. Warren Lillard in Dallas.

Miss Wynola Waters, Preston Washburn Married Here January 20

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Washburn were married January 19th at the Church of Christ, at 7:30 p. m. The bride is the former Miss Wynola Waters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Waters, resident of Decatur. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Washburn also a resident of Decatur.

Minister Ed Bryant performed the ceremony and Miss Lujane Montgomery was bridesmaid and Mr. John Shaw was the best man. It was the first wedding to be had in the new Church of Christ building.

The bride was attired in a Dusty Rose colored dress with navy blue accessories. She had something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue and also a lucky penny in her shoe. For something old she carried her mother's lace hand-

kerchief. Something borrowed was a bracelet. Something new was her dress and something blue was the accessories. Miss Montgomery wore a pale yellow dress with green accessories and a white gardenia. The bride had a lovely orchid.

The couple took a short honeymoon here in town where Mrs. Washburn will finish high school.

There was a shower given at the Owl Club Monday, January 23rd in honor of the couple. Giving the shower were Miss Elaine Burton, Miss Virginia Starnes, Miss Maxine Bailey, Miss Lujane Montgomery, and Mrs. Mita Fay Boydston. The shower was very nice and lots of wonderful gifts were received.

Political Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries.

For Commissioner, Prec. 3:
JIM NIX
BOB CLEVELAND

For Sheriff:
J R BRANCH
D L (DAN) BUCK
RAY (SAGE) NOBLES
reelection
CARL (ROOK) SHAW
C. O. (Onan) SHAW
L. C. (Fluff) BIRD

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct One:
C. M. (CUSH) QUISENBERRY
reelection
IRA MALEY
W. V. CUNNINGHAM

For County Judge:
JENNINGS C BROWN
reelection

For Tax Assessor-Collector:
J. WALLACE BRADY
reelection
CHARLES R. WILHITE

For State Representative; 42nd District.
E. H. MEADOWS

For Commissioner Precinct One & Six:
THURMAN COOK
reelection

For County Clerk:
TOMMIE O'HARA
WOODROW STARNES
reelection
CLYDE SLIMP

For County Superintendent:
C A NICHOLS
reelection

For District Clerk:
NORMA TAYLOR
reelection

For County Attorney:
TOM McMURRAY
reelection
W. A. HUGHES JR.

For County Treasurer:
F. R. MACK
C A MAPLES
J. M. (Melvin) CRISP

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct Five:
HASS TATUM

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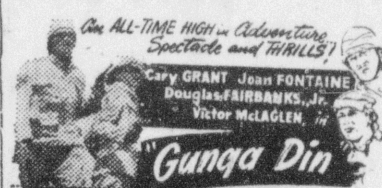
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FEATURES



Social Security Goes to 1 1/2% As Of January 1

The fact that the social security tax advanced from 1% to 1 1/2% each from the employer and the employee, effective January 1, 1950, has caused some employers to inquire if the law has been changed to tax more than the first \$3,000.00 in wages paid to an employee in a year, according to Z. E. Avery, manager of the Fort Worth office of the Social Security Administration.

"The law that only the first \$3,000.00 in wages paid by an employer to each employee is still in effect," Avery said, "and only an Act of Congress will change the law pertaining to the maximum wages to be

taxed."

Avery pointed out that all inquiries regarding social security tax matters should be referred to the Collector of Internal Revenue, and that all questions about old-age and survivors insurance benefits should be directed to the social security office located at 615 Texas Street in Fort Worth.

HONOR GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McNair and Horace entertained in honor of their house guest Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parker and daughter, Sylvia of Fort Worth, with a buffet supper Friday night. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hoyl, Misses Shirley Toiland and Janet Hoyl, also Jack Rhine and Larry Lightfoot.

ALVORD MAN DIES IN CRASH

Tarrant County's 1950 traffic fatality toll rose to three with the death of E. Allen Cage, 31-year-old Alvord pipeline worker who was killed instantly at 6:15 p. m. Friday in a collision at Wapitanga in Tarrant county, on highway 377.

Services were held at 3 p. m. Sunday in the Alvord Assembly of God Church, with burial in Alvord Cemetery.

Highway patrolmen said Cage, believed en route to the home of a sister in Keller with whom he had been staying, was thrown from his pickup truck when it collided with a trailer-truck loaded with bulldozers. He was thrown under the wheels of the other vehicle.

Recently, Cage had been employed by a Tennessee construction firm, a brother, Ed Cage of Alvord said.

Also surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cage of Alvord; two sisters living in Decatur and Keller; and another brother Will Cage.

Tournament Here Was Considered Very Successful

One of the better basketball tournaments was held at DBC gym last week end, ending Jan. 21, as a continuation of the annual tournament sponsored by the college. This one this year is bigger and better than any previous gathering of schools from all over this district.

Birdville won the boys division and took home the Rieger trophy. Birdville had an outstanding high school team and won handily. Bowle won second place and Decatur took third in the boys division.

In the girls division Alvord won first place and took to



Do You Remember

Interesting items from the Messenger
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January 1925

Wheat looks fine. Miss Willie Carpenter, of Ft. Worth is visiting the Misses Hambrights.

Mrs. Hambright presented her daughter with a beautiful piano this week.

On Tuesday evening last, the Misses Hendersons entertained their many friends on Bois' D-Arc, Ave. Those in attendance were Misses Carpenters, Hambright, Morris, Alderson, Shaw, Fairchildren and Wilkerson.

Messrs Hambright, Shaw, Prunty, Hunt, Castle, Leonard, Morris and Whitesides.

Johnny Miller of Boyd is visiting in Rhome.

Mr. Gill of Salt Lake City is stopping at the Cottage Hotel.

The F. W. & D. C. R. Co. are repainting the depot section and pump house.

In the month of January there were shipped from Rhome station, 25 cars of wheat, 12 cars of hay and 7 cars of stock.

Mr. Lee Baker of Paradise was in Rhome last week.

their school the Phil Luter trophy. Bryson took second place and Decatur third in this division also.

Both Boys and girls teams of Decatur placed two on the all-tournament team.

All teams that won, first through third, received trophies and members of the tournament teams were awarded gold basketballs.

It looks now as if the tournament next year will be even bigger and better if comparison to the last two years means anything.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Roach and family of Tyler visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. George Roach over the week end.

Mrs. O. J. Van Meter and Mrs. Corene Stokes were Dallas visitors Monday.

George Elder has been ill with the flu for the past ten days.

Mrs. Annie Milligan surprised her pupils at Pecan Monday morning by driving up to school in a new dodge car.

The contest for new members in the local post of the American Legion is getting warmer each day in every way. Captain L. C. Boyd and J. C. C. Gunn are working hard. The Boyd bunch have not thrown their cards on the table, so their secrecy is keeping the Eagles uneasy.

The newly elected officers of the Owl Club installed last week as follows: Mrs. Steve Lillard Jr. president, Miss Elizabeth Paschall, vice president, Mrs. Henry Buttrell, secretary-treasurer, Miss Ada Harding, corresponding sec., Mrs. Dave Lunn, librarian, Mrs. Arthur Holye, parliamentarian, Mrs. R. C. Tilghman, critic. The Club is now entering its twenty-eighth year of work.

Slidell Home Demonstration Club Meeting

The Slidell Home Demonstration Club held its regular meeting Tuesday Jan. 24, in the home of Mrs. Claude Rainey.

A ten minute game period lead by Mrs. Bill Jameson was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Guy Fortenberry presided at the business session. Mrs. Jack Malone resigned as Council Delegate. Mrs. Bill Jameson who was elected to replace Mrs. Malone, gave the latest report from County Council. Mrs. H. R. Pruett was appointed club song leader.

Refreshment plates of hot spiced tea and cake were served by the hostess to 14 members and three guests.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Doug. Skinner, Tuesday Feb. 14, each member is to bring a Valentine gift for her special friend.

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Mrs. Glenn Hunt and Mrs. Ninnie Bradford visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Perrin and Mrs. Fern Hodge in Vernon over the week end.

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Bids will be received and opened by the Commissioners' Court of Wise County, Texas, at the Court House at Decatur, Texas, until 10 o'clock A. M., on February 13, 1950, for the purchase of one front end Loader-Hydraulic to be mounted on Tack Type Tractor of the type of D4 Caterpillar or its equal. Jennings C. Brown, County Judge, Wise County, Texas.

HELP WANTED
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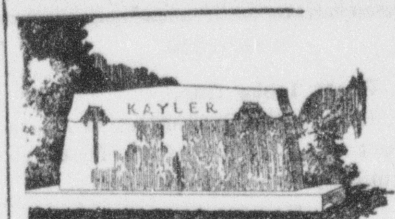
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Radiant Heating Use Valuable to Farmers

Its Advantages Outweigh Initial Expensive Costs
Radiant heating, one of the newest developments in construction of farm buildings, has many advantages which outweigh its high initial cost, according to a publication dealing with building methods, materials and techniques.
As an example of a successful radiant heating system, the publication describes the installation of



This double quonset turkey house, measuring 60 by 220 feet, has radiant heating to maintain a temperature between 50 and 70 degrees in winter. The house holds about 3,500 breeder hens, or 20,000 poults.

such a system in a turkey house on the farm of W. E. Wright in Mitchell county, Iowa.

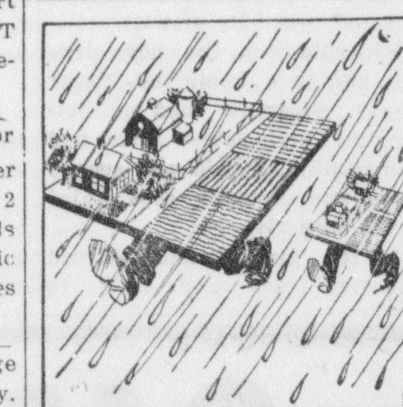
This house, a double quonset measuring 60 by 220 feet, is heated by hot water which circulates through copper tubing imbedded in concrete floor slabs.

The radiant heated floor is designed, enabling the temperature of each zone to be regulated independently. The temperature usually is kept between 50 and 70 degrees in the winter. About 3,500 breeder hens, or 20,000 poults can be housed in the building and can be cared for by three men.

Water for the system is heated by an oil burner in a room on the south side of the structure. Supplementary unit heaters are used when required during extremely cold weather.

The story of the radiant heating system used in the turkey house described was carried in the American Builder magazine.

Making Most of Rain



Whether your farm loses two or 20 tons of topsoil per acre yearly due to erosion, depends on how you handle the water that falls on sloping fields.

Making rain work for instead of against you, is largely a matter of good soil management. Agronomists have found that soils high in organic matter soak up more water quickly and store it for growing crops.

Water "walks" instead of runs off well-managed land that has the benefit of soil-building rotations, deep-rooted legumes, plenty of fertilizer and conservation tillage methods. Water makes a quick getaway on naked, overcropped land that has been mined of its organic matter and plant nutrients.

Tractor Wheels Need Regular Servicing

The front wheels of farm tractors work under dusty conditions and unless they are serviced and adjusted regularly they will need repairs.

Replacement of front wheel bearings will cost approximately \$37 per bearing, and there are four of them in the front wheels, says S. L. Vogel, assistant farm engineer of the North Dakota agricultural extension service.

Two methods of lubricating front wheel bearings are used on modern tractors, Vogel said. One is the hand packed method. The wheels should be removed at least once a year, cleaned, and bearings repacked with wheel bearing grease.

Feedlot Meat Tonnage Increased During Year

More meat tonnage produced in feedlots this fall and winter as a result of a generally favorable feeding ratio will provide consumers with a more adequate meat supply in the months ahead, according to H. M. Conway, livestock market analyst.

A near-record 1949 corn crop, added to the heavy carry-over from 1948, plus a generally plentiful supply of roughage helped supplies.

MRS. FREELAND GIVES REPORT OF YEARS ACTIVITY IN COUNTY BY HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUBS

By Mrs. Billye D. Freeland
County Home Dem. Agent

The women in Wise County work at this job of being Home Demonstration Club members, and at that it isn't a little job.

After you have read their report for 1949, I believe you will agree that they really have done their part toward making Home Demonstration Club Work a worthwhile organization. At the present time there is 18 Home Demonstration Clubs in the county. The 2 phases of work that have been carried for the past year were Landscaping and Kitchen Improvement.

In the Landscaping part of the program there were 14 outdoor living rooms arranged or furnished, and 31 pieces of recreation equipment added. 64 had their lawns sodded, and there were 1478 shrubs planted that are now growing and doing well. On the Kitchen end of the line there were 152 kitchens materially improved; 84 of these kitchens had added major equipment such as ranges, refrigerators, home freezers, and washing machines.

These are merely some of the statistics on their work which really doesn't mean a great deal, but if you look at it from the angle that out of the 300

have planted new, well sodded Home Demonstration Club women in the county 64 of them lawns, nice shrubs growing around the house, etc., then it begins to mean something.

The 152 kitchens that have been materially improved means that over half of the Home Demonstration women in Wise County have made their kitchens more livable and a more enjoyable place to spend the number of hours that they stay in the kitchen; incidentally, 63 of these women added built-in cabinet and other means of permanent storage in their kitchens.

Kitchen and Landscape were not all that was done in Wise County this past year. They also carried a program on Work Simplification. Early in 1949 a two day training school was given Club Leaders by the Assistant Home Management Specialist with the Extension Service at A & M College. This training was divided into three demonstrations to be given to the clubs during the year. Mrs. Sam Pearson of the Mt. Pleasant Club, in whose home the meeting was held, has definitely become a Work Simplification Demonstrator. She had added extra shelves to her cabinet for greater and more convenient storage. She has also

added a new dish drainer and drain board, lengthened and made wider all her sheets, made a laundry cart from an old bassinet, has a new four wire clothes line, and plans to purchase a new "sitting down" ironing board. She has also added a top to her ironing board. This is to simplify ironing pillow case, table-cloths, and other flat work as well as ironing shirts.

Out of the 300 homes represented in Home Demonstration Clubs, there were 96 living rooms materially improved, 248 bedrooms improved, 62 bathrooms built or improved with plumbing or permanent equipment, 60 homes added major pieces of furniture such as chairs, dressers, beds, sofas; and 402 pieces of furniture were refinished. 150 chairs re-seated, 112 chairs and sofas upholstered, and 48 slipcovers made.

Clothing was not one of the major demonstrations carried during the year; as a matter of fact, it was not even stressed very much, but there were 2,394 dresses made by women, 140 wool suits, 231 childrens garments made. Think how much sewing they could do if they really worked on it! In passing by I noticed that they used Work Simplification in their clothing also. 86 families improved sewing equipment and arrangement, and 84 improved laundrying equipment,

and the method of laundrying as the result of the Work Simplification Program.

Home Demonstration Clubs entered wholeheartedly in the Wise County Fair and Horse Show in 1949. 15 out of the 18 clubs in the county set up exhibits at the Fair. The Red Willow Club, with Mrs. Cecil Bloomer as President, took away 1st prize on Exhibits. The Green's Chapel Club, Mrs. Clarence Brooks as President, won 2nd place, the Pleasant Valley Club won 3rd place; Mrs. Sam Kaker was President at the time.

All in all we feel that it was a very good year and we are looking forward as always to a better year in 1950.

MANY NEVER SUSPECT CAUSE OF BACKACHES

As we get older, stress and strain, over-exertion, excessive smoking or exposure to cold sometimes slows down kidney function. This may lead many folks to complain of nagging backache, loss of pep and energy, headaches and dizziness. Getting up nights or frequent passages may result from minor bladder irritations due to cold, dampness or dietary indiscretions.

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The Informer

FIFTH GRADE NEWS

We have two new science books. They are full of experiments.

We are examining new readers and geographies and we are going to tell which one we like best and why we like it.

January 27, our Good Citizens Club elected new officers. They are as follows: President, Robert Heins; Vice President, Jimbo Lipsey; Sec., Sue Frances Hoyl; Program Chairman, Myrena Jane Bradely; Thrift Com., Clyde McMurry. Bobby Burkett, and Rodney Riddle.

Safety Com., Barbara Pounds, Mable Oates and Joan Caldwell; Character Com., David Thomason, James Thompson, and Kenneth Faith.

At our last meeting January 27, our girl citizen was Barbara Pounds, and boy citizen was Rodney Riddle. We had a play "Jack and the Beanstalks," played games, and sang songs.

We have read the Eagles Tale and think it is a very nice paper. We would like to see more news from the Elementary School.

We are sponsoring another Art Contest. The sixth grades are the only ones that can enter.

Orvaldo Walker and Bob Pounds have a job now. They work in the lunch room. They work half time.

We are sorry to hear Barbara Schooling's grandmother died.

We still have our quizzes nearly every day. Clyde Mc is our big quizzer.

We have received as gifts, from our friends many nice books and magazines. We want to thank every one that has sent us anything.

We have been given a book with twenty units in it. We are working on them now.

Kenneth Faith got a guitar for his birthday. We hope he can soon play at our programs.

Paul Betancourt is taking band music. He plays the Clarinet.

Mrs. Man has some new cabinets in her room, and several of the rooms have new bulletin boards. We are going to have

bulletin boards in our room soon.

Mrs. Young loaned us four new Texas histories. They will give us information for our Texas books.

We are going to take a trip. It will be an imaginary trip. Our teacher has some books, "Seeing Europe with Famous Authors. We will visit all the important Countries of Europe. We will divide into groups and go to the different countries.

We are going to write of our travels and the best one will be published in the Messenger.

Several high school students and many from the upper grades in elementary school have been to see our Chameleon.

We are going to organize a Debating team soon. We would like to debate with some of the fifth grades in other schools in the county if we can.

Jack Wayne Fryon is our newest pupil. He came here from Littlefield.

We have given Clyde McMurry a new name. Quiz Master. He wants to have a quiz period every day. He always has a question to ask. They are good questions and we like this period.

The boys and girls in our room have already started making Valentines and some are very pretty.

We will not start another frieze until after Valentine.

We wish more of our mother's would come to P. T. A.

We are having lots of fun watching our Chameleon. It shed its skin the other day and its toes. We think it was because the stove was near it.

We put some red paper in the box and it turned green. We think it is the prettiest when it turns green.

We are all working on our "Texas Books." We have done much reading on Texas and found out many things about Texas we did not know before.

Our Art Contest closes next Friday. We are so interested in making our Texas books, very few have entered the Contest. I think our teacher is disappointed because more did not enter.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack, Mrs. Henry, Le wis, from Waggoner Ranch, Mrs. J. V. Patterson and Dr. Bary Agnes Murphy from T. S. C. W. visited in our room for a short time.

Patsy Colgrove is going to move to Chidress. We are sorry she is leaving.

We wish we were a teacher sometimes. Some one is always sending our teacher something. Mrs. Ray Harper sent her a large box of cookies the other day.

We have been taking mid-term tests in science and we are making good grades.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cadwell and daughters Ruth and Joan attended the 81 birthday celebration of Mrs. Molly Grissom of Alvord Sunday.

The Good Citizens Club met Friday. New officers were elected for the new term. Robert Heins, President; Jimbo Lipsey, Vice President; Sue Hoyl, Secretary and Treasurer; Myrena Bradley, Program Chairman; Good citizens, Joyce Meadows and Calvin Cearly.

We have been having quiz in our room, Miss Bell lets one of us ask any question we want to, and the classroom answers if they can, we like this.

Paul Betancourt, Jim Thompson, Shella M. Moore, Dorothy Rhoades are Monitors in the basement for the month of January.

Dr. Murphy had a photographer take some pictures on health last week, and some of our pupils were in the pictures. The pictures will come out in our school magazines.

We are having a good time putting our jig-saw puzzles together. The Chevrolet Co. gave them to us. They also gave us a book of puzzles and games.

We had a contest during our Club hour to see who could put the jig-saw together first. Several of us put it together in less than one minute.

Our weekly reader has a lesson on safety every week. I think this is a good one.

I get angry with people who throw glass into the street. Broken glass makes holes in automobile tires, it also cuts the

feet of dogs and cats, also children.

We can say boys and girls should not break bottles on the school grounds.

Some of the students from our room interviewed some of the industries of Decatur.

Two of the boys, Bert Little and Bobby Burkett went to the Ice Plant. They took notes as Mr. Dodson the manager of the plant told them about making of ice.

Linda Harper and Sue Hoyle visited the Sports Wear factory. Mrs. Franklin told them about the making of lresses.

Two of the boys went to Tenn. Dairies. They are going back for more information.

Other places will be visited as we have time.

The information we get will go in our Texas books as Decatur Industries.

I say our Quiz Master could not answer these questions so I will tell them.

Scientists say wild animals are smarter than tame one?

The Raccoon is our Country's smartest wild animal?

Chimpanzees, Orangutans and Gorillas are the smartest of all animals?

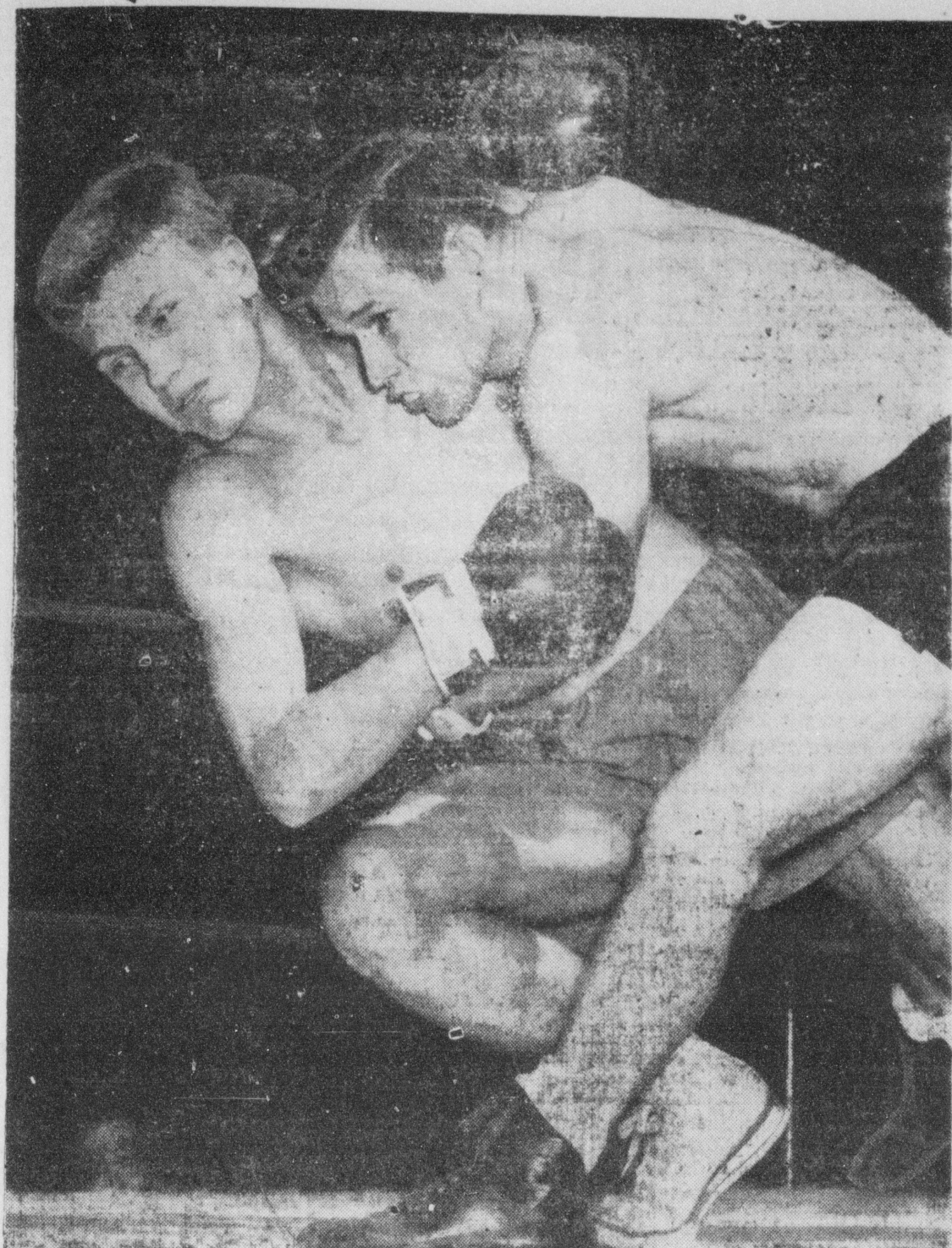
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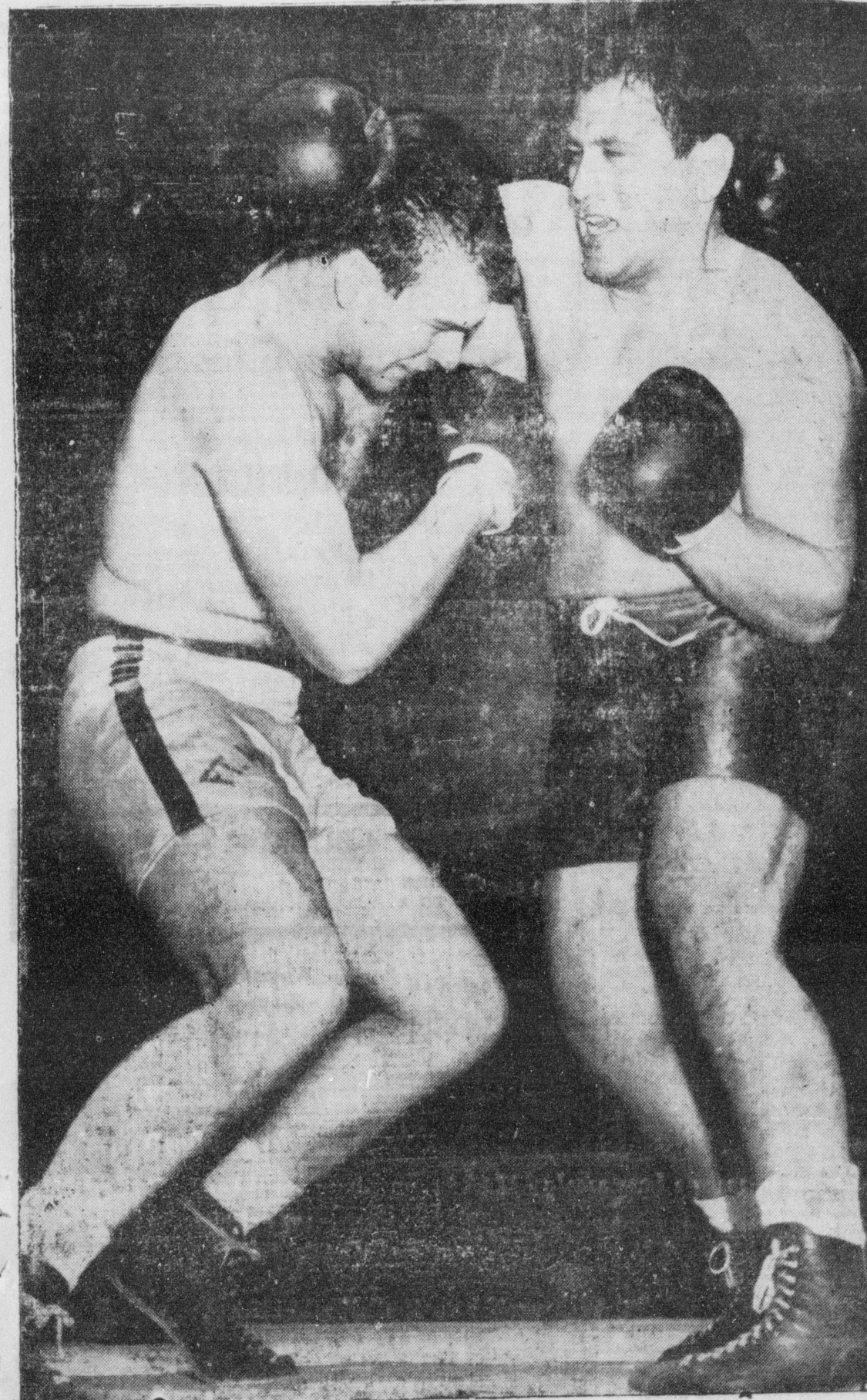


GOING DOWN!—Jay Smith, left, of Poly, and Hugh Hamm of Decatur Baptist College head for the canvass in a tangle of arms in the first round of their novice welter bout at Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum Thursday night. Hamm scored a second-round knockout and will fight Billy Hunter of the Cleburne team Friday night.

Some of these fighters will be seen in the boxing tournament here this week end, Feb. 4-5 at the DBC gym.

Decatur Lodge No. 447 AF&AM meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday nights at 7:30 o'clock. Visitors and sojourners welcome.

Robert Cartwright, WM.
Jas. W. Smith, Secy.

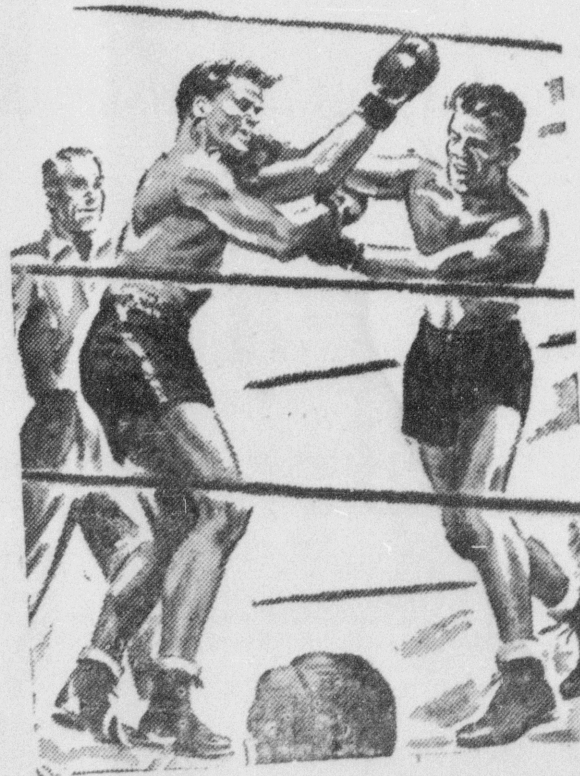


EVASIVE ACTION—Fort Worth's Ken Taylor (left) ducks under right cross thrown by Adolph Torres of Decatur Baptist College in Golden Gloves novice heavy weight semifinal Saturday night. Torres won the decision.

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PRE-NUPTIAL SHOWER IN FORSAN HONORS MISS VAN METER

FORSAN, Jan. 23 (Spl)—The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wash was the scene of a pre-nuptial shower Saturday evening honoring Constance Van Meter of Decatur and Glenn Eugene Smith of Big Spring. Both are students at North Texas State College, Denton. Smith formerly lived in Forsan.

Other hostesses were: Mrs. I. O. Shaw of Colorado City, Mrs. E. N. Baker, Mrs. H. E. Peacock, Mrs. O'Barr Smith, Mrs. Jessie Overton, Mrs. J. B. Hicks, Mrs. O. N. Green, Mrs. Sammie Porter and Mrs. J. E. Chanslor.

The Valentine motif was carried out in the table decorations. Covered with a white linen cloth, the table was centered with a red heart filled with red and white carnations and outlined with miniature red paper hearts on streamers which were inscribed with the names, Glenn and Connie. Mrs. Sammie Porter presided at the silver coffee service. Eva Smith poured tea. Mrs. O. N. Green and Mrs. O'Barr Smith assisted with the serving. Mrs. E. N. Baker presided at the register. Mrs. O. O. Shaw displayed the gifts.

The bride-elect wore a formal dress fashioned of gold lace and taffeta. Her corsage was a necklace arrangement of yellow rosebuds. Mrs. Olin James Van

Meer, mother of the bride-elect, wore a street-length dress of Navy sheer and a corsage of pink gladioli. Mrs. Glenn Smith, mother of the groom-to-be, wore a street-length dress of cocoa brown crepe. Her corsage was yellow rosebuds.

Music for the evening was provided by Deryl Miller, Sara Chanslor, Bettye Roberson, Billie Sue Sewell, Johnita Griffith, Billie Gandy, Betty Oglesby and Patsy McAllen.

Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Porter, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Crowley, Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Hoard, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dunn, Mrs. Robert Kneer, Mrs. J. B. Hicks, Mrs. E. N. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Caldwell, Mrs. J. T. Holladay, Betty Oglesby, Billie Gandy, Johnita Griffith, Patsy McAllen, Deryl Miller, Sara Chanslor, Billie Sewell, Bettye Roberson, Gwen Oglesby, Eva Smith, Mrs. O'Barr Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Wash and Bobby Wash, Mrs. J. E. Chanslor.

From Big Spring: Dr. and Mrs. P. D. O'Brian, the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Arnett, Mrs. Inez Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hohertz, Mrs. Herbert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. George, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Blankenship, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith and Glenn Eugene Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Ruffin and El-don of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marting of Kermit, Mrs. Allie B. Cook of Garden City, Jack Templeton, Ethel, Gene and Nancy of Odessa and Mrs. O. J. Van Meter of Decatur.

Highway Work To Cost Over \$50,000 In Wise

and graveling is underway, and the final phases of the work on the strip to river will soon be underway.

On the Denton highway, in Denton county, ten miles of that road is being retopped from the Wise line to Denton, around the intersection with the Bridgeport highway south of the Y. Work of grading

Work on the south highway from Decatur to Boyd vicinity, has been centered the past week. Also in Wise county, the state highway engineer is directed to proceed in the most feasible and economical manner with the following work.

On state highway 24 from Decatur to the Denton county line, 10.9 miles, additional surface and seal coat at an estimated cost of \$15,000, and

On highway 81 from Decatur to Herman, 4.0 miles, additional surface and shoulders at an estimated cost of \$40,100.00.

The base is being placed on highway 51 south toward Boyd and work is beginning on the bridges across the river and bottoms. The approaches have been completed.

Mrs. Leah Ware Dies Following Long Illness

Mrs. Leah Luella Ware, age 73, passed away Tuesday Jan. 31, at 3:39 p. m. at the home of her son, Burnett Ware in Decatur.

She is survived by one son Burnett Ware and one daughter, Mrs. John M. Graham, Monterrey, Mexico, and six grand children.

Services were conducted at the Christian Funeral Chapel this Thursday afternoon with only close friends of the family attending.

Interment will be at Monroe, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Ware and Mrs. Graham will accompany the body to Iowa.

READ THE ADS

Wings Over Decatur

By Geo. A. Long

Happy Landings

Mrs. H. V. Reeves and J. B. Roy of Odessa to Muskogee, Okla. Aeronach 82513, stopped for gas and weather information.

Mr. H. N. Hale of Fort Worth, Cub J 3,

Russell Scott of Bowie came down and put in an hour in the T craft.

Sunday bad weather stopped a lot of good flying. Hope for better next week.

A dog makes more friends by wagging his tail, than by wagging his tongue and barking.

Graduate At NTS

Three students from Wise County are among a record group of 300 candidates for bachelor's and master's degrees awarded at North Texas State College Sunday, Jan. 29.

Bachelor's degrees were awarded to Wise County persons as follows: E. H. Meadows, son of Mrs. G. T. Clark of Decatur; Leland Earl Board, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Board of Route 2, Chico; and Richard S. Goode, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Goode of Bridgeport.



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In a ceremony marked by "Because" by Teschemacher, simplicity and beauty, Miss Virginia Faye Watson took her marriage vows with James Edwin Harris at Corinth Baptist Church, Tuesday, January 24, at 8:00 P. M.

White snapdragons, gladioli, and cedar, and fern formed a lovely background for the impressive double ring ceremony. Rev. Earl Vaughn, pastor of the bride, officiated.

Mrs. James Hix of Ft. Worth was matron of honor; Miss Marian Hill of Decatur, maid of honor. Jimmy Watson, best man; and L. W. Mann, usher.

Prior to the ceremony, "Liebestraum" by Liszt was played by Mrs. Earl Vaughn, pianist. Miss Jesse Ruth Venson sang "Always" by Irving Berlin, and

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a street-length dress of aqua broque satin, and carried a white Bible topped with gardenia and ribbon. The matron of honor dress was of luggage crepe, and the maid of honor's wine satin.

Mrs. Harris is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Watson of Decatur. Mr. Harris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris of Decatur. The young couple are making their home in Decatur.

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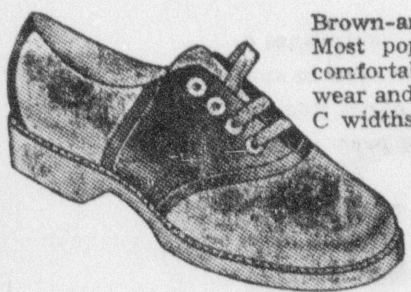
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